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In re Application of

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows, where marked-up versions of the amended claims 3, 5, and 6 are attached as Appendix A:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

3. (Amended) A low-pressure mercury-vapor discharge lamp as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the amalgam (63) further comprises gold, the gold content (Au) lying in the range between  $0.1 \leq \text{Au} \leq 20$  at.%. *C*

5. (Amended) A low-pressure mercury-vapor discharge lamp as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the mercury content (Hg) lies in the range between 0.05 and 0.75 at.% Hg. *B*

6. (Amended) An amalgam for use in a low-pressure mercury-vapor discharge lamp as claimed in claim 1.